

INGLIS STREET ELEMENTARY SCHOOL

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A Message from the Principal

I couldn't be more excited to welcome families back for another year at Inglis Street.

Over the summer, the HRCE Operations team worked incredibly hard to complete our heating system upgrades and prepare the school for staff and learners. It looks amazing in here!

I'm also pleased to share that Katherine Copeland will be joining our administrative team as Vice Principal. We're excited to have her in this new role!

You'll have a chance to see the progress, meet your child's teacher, and hear a little more about Inglis Street from me at Curriculum Night on Wednesday from 5–6 p.m. More information is included below.

Our team will spend the first week of September preparing our spaces and getting ready to welcome, support, and challenge your children when they arrive on Thursday morning.

This year, we have some changes to our bell schedule, recess and lunch routines, and an exciting new *Stop & Drop* that will help ease traffic as students arrive at school.

I look forward to seeing you on Wednesday night!

Gabe Rose, Principal

Upcoming Events:

September

September 1 - School Organizational Day (no classes)

September 2 - Professional Learning Day (no classes)

September 2 - Curriculum Night (5-6pm)

September 3 - First Day for Students!

September 25 - Professional Learning Day (no classes)

September 30 - National Day for Truth & Reconciliation (no classes)

Other Notable Dates:

- **October 12** – Thanksgiving Day (no classes)
- **October 22** - Home & School Halloween Event (5-7pm)
- **October 23 -** NSTU Provincial Conference Day (no classes)

2026-27 Bell Schedule & Morning Entry

We have made some changes to this year's bell schedule and corresponding recess and lunch schedules. Please see information below:

8:30 - 8:45am: Outdoor supervision begins
8:45am: Entry bell
8:50 pm: Instruction begins
10:30 - 10:45am: Recess (P-6)
10:45am: Entry bell
10:50am: Instruction begins
11:50pm - 12:45pm: Lunch (P-6)
12:45pm: Entry bell
12:50pm: Instruction begins
2:50 pm: Dismissal



IMPORTANT CHANGE TO MORNING ARRIVAL

Please note: This year, students will **not** enter the building when they arrive in the morning.
Staff will be on duty on the **playground and courtyard/basketball court from 8:30–8:45 a.m.** Families may drop students off anytime during this window.

At **8:45 a.m.**, students will line up with their classes and enter the school together.

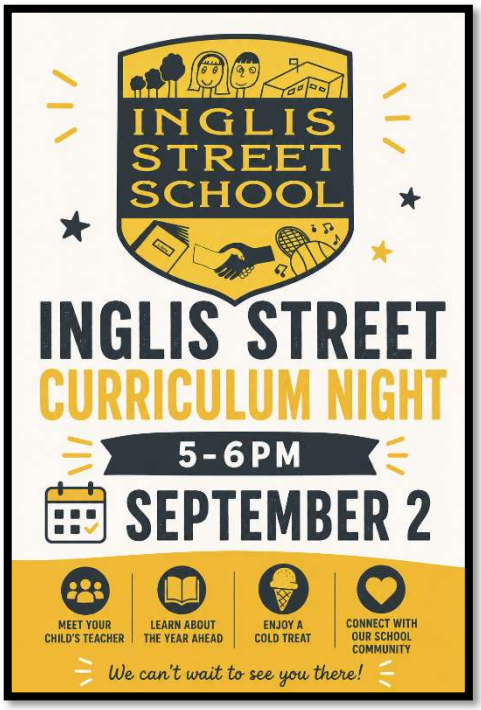
Check out the 2026-27 Inglis Street Parent Handbook

In an effort to better support families, we've created a new **Parent Handbook for 2026–27**. You'll find all things Inglis Street in one place, including important information, routines, procedures, and more.

We encourage all families to take some time to familiarize themselves with the handbook.

You can find it on our school website **HERE**.

Curriculum Night: September 2, 5-6pm



Curriculum Night is this Wednesday!

This is a time to:

✓ Meet your child's homeroom teacher
✓ Explore our learning spaces at Inglis
✓ Learn about routines, schedules, and all things Inglis
✓ Hear from our Principal, Mr. Rose
✓ Enjoy a cool treat on the playground!

We can't wait to see you on Wednesday!

Parking & Stop & Drop: New for 2026-27

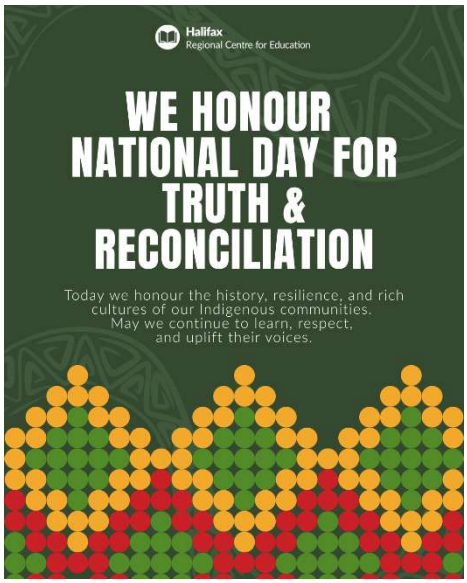
This year, we're asking our school community to help make **morning drop-off safer and smoother for everyone.** We're pleased to introduce our new ***Stop & Drop Procedure at Inglis Street!***

If you are dropping off your child in the morning, please **do not stop on Inglis Street**. Instead, proceed to **Robie Street**, where a member of our team will be on duty to greet students and help direct them down the stairs to the courtyard and playground.



National Day for Truth & Reconciliation

On September 30, we honour the children who never returned home from residential schools, and the survivors, families and communities who continue to live with their lasting impacts.



Orange Shirt Day is an Indigenous-led movement that reminds us that Every Child Matters and encourages all of us to learn, reflect and support truth and reconciliation.

As there are no classes on Wednesday, September 30, we invite students and staff to wear orange, if they're able, on Tuesday, September 29.

Stand Up Against Bullying Day is September 10



On Stand Up Against Bullying Day, we come together to promote kindness, inclusion and respect in our school communities.

Every student deserves to feel safe, supported and welcome at school. On Thursday, September 10, we invite students and staff to wear pink, if they’re able, and help show that bullying has no place in our schools.

Together, we can help create school communities where everyone feels they belong.
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Using Bus Planner

Everything you need to know about student transportation including eligibility, stop times and stop locations can be found on BusPlanner. Once you register and subscribe, you can choose to receive email and/or text message notifications on changes to routes, bus delays or cancellations.



To sign up, go to BusPlanner at hrce.mybusplanner.ca and click on Parent Portal. Follow the instructions to create an account.

Don't have a BusPlanner Parent Portal account? Need help logging in? Please contact the HRCE Student Transportation Team though the Transportation Inquiry Form here.

Nova Scotia School Lunch Program: Ordering is Now Open!



We're looking forward to the 2026-27 launch of the Nova Scotia School Lunch Program! Beginning this school year, the program will be available in all public schools across the province.

Start date

Lunches at your school will begin on Tuesday, September 8.

Key dates for the first ordering cycle:

- Ordering opens: Friday, August 28
- Ordering closes: Wednesday, September 2, at noon

Registering and ordering

All lunches must be ordered through the online ordering system. To get started, visit www.NSLunch.ca and click "Order Now." Returning users can sign in using their

existing account.

More information, including instructions on how to create a diner account, is available at www.NSLunch.ca.
you need to know about student transportation including eligibility, stop times and stop locations can be found on BusPlanner. Once you register and subscribe, you can choose to receive email and/or text message notifications on changes to routes, bus delays or cancellations.